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Dear Mr. Collura,

Thanks for the SASE /1 with your note of a few days ago.

Sorry about what happened to your mother. We had both reason to expect that to happen to us. Instead it has left us quite feeble, my wife in particular. I had to hire someone to be with her when I am not and at the least that is three full mornings a week when I have kidney dialysis. I have also had to take over what my wife had done and I am ill prepared for that! What this means is that I've had to abandon normal correspondence. The time that is not taken up with medical needs I want to use, to the degree possible, on continuing writing. People who want to come are still welcome, particularly old friends. We enjoyed such visits each of thedays of the past weekend but it also left me even farthur behind.

So, please do not expect me to repond under these conditions. It is now too much for me. And both my wife and I are older than your mother was.

Thanks and best wishes,

Harold

Harold Weisberg